

Fwd: From John Davis to Nate

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**From:** Nate Kaplan <nate.kaplan@lacity.org>  
**Date:** 02/01/2013 12:39 PM  
**To:** Greg Monfette <greg.monfette@lacity.org>  
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Hi Greg,  
I need some help answering some of the questions below. Mainly, I know CEQA review is not necessary in our case, but can you explain to me why its not required so I can send the answer to John Davis?  
Thanks,  
Nate

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From: <[jd@johnanthonydavis.com](mailto:jd@johnanthonydavis.com)>  
Date: Fri, Feb 1, 2013 at 12:26 PM  
Subject: From John Davis to Nate  
To: Nate Kaplan <[nate.kaplan@lacity.org](mailto:nate.kaplan@lacity.org)>

Hi Nate,

I would like to meet with you to discuss the proposed removal of 17 mature trees on Sepuvlda Blvd.

Mark said there is an agreement with the city and a private business for the project.

Was the public notified of a comment period for this agreement and if not why.

Has a CEQA document been filed yet. At minimum an Initial Study is required to see if the project is exempt from CEQA.

What entity will be filing or has already filed in regard to CEQA with the State Clearinghouse.

This is a required step and the city cannot lawfully let the project go fwd with no CEQA clearence whatsoever.

Aside from proceedure, the city should consider the alternative of what Santa Monica has done to preserve trees. They trim the roots, then place a recycled rubber mat material in for the sidewalk.

That way when the roots emerge again, the mat can simply be lifted and replaced after another minor trim.

Here the City is going to remove mature trees that provide valuable habatit to the many species of birds and mammals here.

Using concrete rather than the mats is really backward thinking in my opinion.

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When can we meet?

Best Regards,

John

----- Original Message -----

Subject: Hello

From: Nate Kaplan <[nate.kaplan@lacity.org](mailto:nate.kaplan@lacity.org)>

Date: Fri, February 01, 2013 12:06 pm

To: [jd@johnanthonydavis.com](mailto:jd@johnanthonydavis.com)

Hi John,

I believe you stopped by the Westchester Office looking for me yesterday. I was working out of the West LA office.

Please email me your concerns when you have a moment.

Thanks,

Nate

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